GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6
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INCREASE IN CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether tuberculosis disease is rising in alarming proportions;

(b) if so, the number of TB patients detected and died during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the WHO and the Central Government have conducted any survey recently regarding this disease;

(d) if so, when was the latest survey conducted and the main findings of the survey;

(e) whether India accounts for 30 per cent of the total deaths caused by TB in the World and the global position of India in this regard; and

(f) if so, the steps taken to eradicate this disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) No, Sir. The trend of TB cases in the country reported under the programme over the last several years has been more or less static.

(b) The number of TB patients reported to the programme during the last three years state-wise is enclosed (Annexure).

(c) &(d) No, Sir. The last survey was conducted by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) during 1957-58. The survey had reported a prevalence rate of 4/1000 bacteriologically positive cases and 11/1000 radiological suspects.

(e) Under NTCP, deaths were not reported. It is estimated that in India death rate in TB patient is about 25%. However, after implementation of RNTCP, death rate has been reduced to less than 5% in the areas implementing RNTCP.

(f) To control tuberculosis, Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) is being implemented in the country in a phased manner to cover a population of 500 million by 2002. RNTCP ensures a success rate of 80%. Emphasis is also on identification and cure of sputum positive patients who are the main source of infection in the community.

ANNEXURE

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NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROGRAMME (STATE WISE CASE DETECTION)

Name of the Sates	Total cases 1997-98	Total cases 1998-99	Sputum positive cases 1999-2000
Andhra Pradesh	74137	78457	24892
Arunachal Pr.	3801	5748	400
Assam	18625	19847	209
Bihar	11133	27707	1255
Goa	2810	2748	278
Gujarat	104635	125584	34911
Haryana	37668	33384	2327
Himachal Pr.	5347	5768	512
J&K	26993	18258	533
Karnataka	78893	68149	20202
Kerala	19711	13608	0
Madhya Pradesh	77045	78390	23683
Maharashtra	202299	195246	60222

Manipur	3469	2620	1012
Meghalaya	3080	2788	476
Mizoram	1332	1390	282
Nagaland	1626	2380	643
Orissa	24912	21550	4906
Punjab	42121	39520	8706
Rajasthan	46071	52072	20178
Sikkim	1861	2104	417
Tamil Nadu	114165	116195	25756
Tripura	2601	3340	981
Uttar Pradesh	289431	262739	65596
West Bengal	66018	62428	4006
Pondicherry	711	3868	88
A & N Islands	1819	720	23
Chandigarh	506	1801	187
D & N Haveli	-	265	41
Delhi	43313		19264
Lakshdweep	145		0
Daman & Diu	3417		1303
Total	1309675	1248672	323289

For more effective control of spread of infection, the reporting of sputum positive cases has been restored to.